

'Tilt-Up' Schools Explained to TECA

Methods to be used to construct two schools in Torrance using the "tilt-up" method were explained to members of the Torrance Educational Advisory Council at a meeting Tuesday noon at the Torrance High School cafeteria.

Explaining some of the unique features of the new type construction were G. F. Schreiber, architect, and J. L. Peterson, engineer, who have been retained by the Torrance Board of Education to construct the New Avenue School.

The new schools will be of precast reinforced concrete construction. A concrete slab is first poured on the proposed school site. Next a layer of paraffine is poured over the floor which forms a table top on which the walls are poured. Forms are constructed on the newly-laid floor with door jams and window casings in place. Concrete is then poured into the forms like dough into a cooking tin. When the eight-inch walls have hardened they are "tilted-up" into position with the aid of a crane.

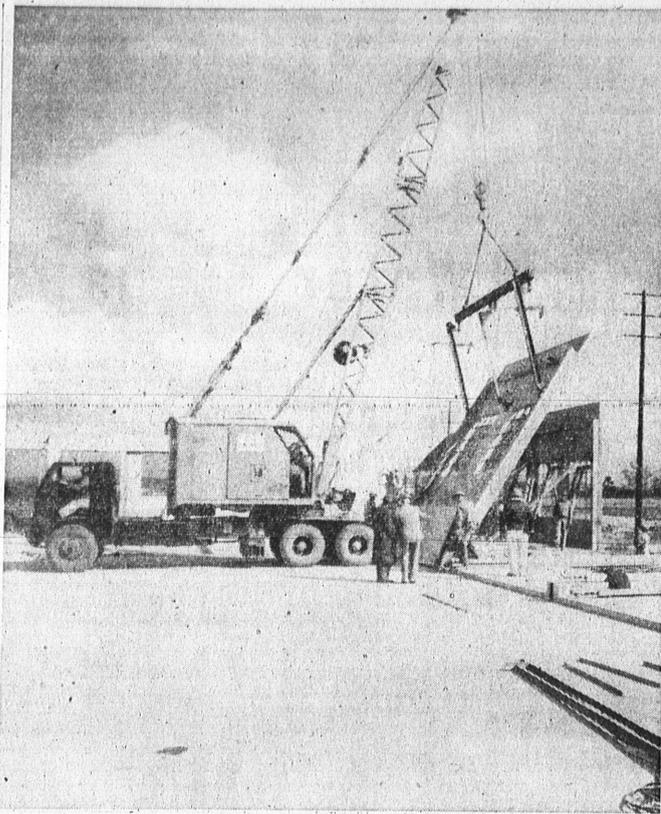
Wiring and plumbing vents are built in the 17-foot, 6-inch wall sections.

The buildings will have beam and sheeting type roof. Asphalt flooring will be used as floor covering.

Windows on both sides of the new buildings are said to give better lighting, the designers claim.

By eliminating double framing the use of several trades such as riveters, sheetmetal smiths, and other expensive skilled workman, the schools can be built at considerable saving to taxpayers over the conventional frame and stucco type building, it was stated.

Warm air furnaces will be used as the source of heat.



SECTION BY SECTION . . . Photo shows crane hoisting a wall section into place for a building constructed by the new "tilt-up" method. Two new Torrance elementary schools will be constructed of reinforced concrete using this method.

Increases in Number of Persons Seeking Employment Here Noted

An increase of 81 in the number of Torrance residents seeking work through the State Employment Service office here, was reported this week by Manager Winona Ellis.

Reporting as of February 9, Miss Ellis said there were 612 persons seeking employment through her office. This total included 337 women and 275 men. At that time last month, only 561 persons from Torrance were registered with the office.

Broken down into the employment classifications, the total included 31 professional, 108 clerical, 50 sales people, 105 service, 111 skilled, 105 semi-skilled, and 135 labor applicants. Temporary Christmas hirings were reflected still in the January figures, according to Thomas C. Campbell, area manager of the department of employment. Seasonal cutbacks in food processing, retail trade, and construction will further reduce the employment figures during the next two months, Campbell stated.

Cars Ready for Economy Run To Grand Canyon March 6, 7

When the entry deadline is reached Friday, February 16, the 1951 Mobilgas Economy Run will have set a new record for number of makes and models competing, it was announced by C. S. Beesemyer, executive vice president of General Petroleum Corporation, sponsor of the big performance test set for March 6 and 7.

Selection of the cars by American Automobile Association Contest Board officials already has seen entries picked without warning and at random from dealers' showrooms, warehouses, assembly lines, and two even were "kidnapped" from a rail and a motor truck shipment about to leave a Detroit factory.

ENTRIES IMPOUNDED
Over 30 different entries already have been received, Beesemyer said, and cars selected and impounded by the AAA men include Nash, Ford, Mercury, Lincoln, Cadillac and Packard. Others chosen include De Soto, Chrysler, Plymouth, Henry J.

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With the official run insignia already applied to the cars, many of them are daily sights on the highways around Los Angeles, making breaks in runs with eagle-eyed AAA observers accompanying them at every turn and returning them to the Contest Board's impound at the end of the run. These runs have included jaunts to San Francisco, the Lone Pine Owens Valley area and over the exact route of the course itself.

In this year's 840-mile route, the cars will encounter 70 miles of city driving, 345 miles of mountain work and 425 miles of level touring. Of the total, 318 miles are in high-temperature terrain—mostly over the Mojave desert and in Death Valley. Temperatures from 10 below zero to 85 above are anticipated and the test will encounter altitudes from 280 feet below sea level to 7005 feet above.

Manager of Local Store Attends Meet

Hugh Allen, manager of the local Gambles-Western Auto Supply store, was among the 400 company personnel who attended the 1951 merchandising conference sponsored by the company on Sunday and Monday of this week in Long Beach.

B. C. Gamble, president of the company, addressed the delegates at the Sunday evening banquet. More than 100 manufacturers exhibited merchandise items for inspection by the 3000 employees and families of employees who attended the event.

Contributions to Civil Defense Held Deductible

Financial contributions to civil defense organizations by individuals or corporations are deductible from federal income tax payments, Maj. Gen. Walter M. Robertson, California's Civil Defense Director, disclosed.

"I have been advised," General Robertson said, "that the Treasury Department has ruled that financial contributions to national, state or local civil defense activities are in the same category as charitable contributions and gifts."
United States Civil Defense Administrator Millard Caldwell, General Robertson explained, advised California of the Treasury Department's ruling.

By Phone Call:

Prankster Flops at Try To Excite This Housewife

Mrs. William Carter had a hunch it was only Fools Gold in the pot when a mysterious phone call last Saturday informed her she had hit the \$2500 jackpot on the Pot O'Gold program.

Mrs. Carter, who lives at 2005 Reynosa drive, feels that Torrance residents ought to be alerted that a prankster is at play and not to get too excited over a phone call like the one she received.

The local housewife was asked to answer a couple of questions and upon answering them correctly was informed that if she came to radio station KFI she could collect her \$2500 check. She did a little checking of her own and was told by KFI that the only pot of gold they had was the one they were going to give to Uncle Sam to pay their income taxes.

Riviera Seeks Flood Control Recommendation

Following the recent heavy rains which did considerable damage in the Riviera section, the Hollywood Riviera Civic Council has asked the city to make an engineering study of the drainage problem in the area.

Overloaded drains created lakes in several areas in the residential section and washed out foundations and retaining walls.

Chairman of the Civic Council, Richard Blakeley, reported to the Riviera Homeowner's Association that City Manager George W. Stevens had promised to meet with the residents of the area before preparing an engineering survey of the problem.

The Civic Council is asking for maps, rainfall figures, and recommended improvements which will alleviate the flood conditions in four particular locations in the area.

Pearson Wins Promotion With 160th Regiment

Promotion of Benjamin F. Pearson, of 1503 West 214th street, to the grade of sergeant first class was announced this week by Lt. Col. Warren Benoit, commander of the 160th Regiment, part of the 40th Infantry Division now training at Camp Cooke.

Pearson was a pre-dental student at Los Angeles City College before his unit was activated with the 40th Division last Sept.

HEAVY GRENADES
Earliest hand grenades weighed from two to six pounds.

Dr. John W. Beeman Attends Medical Assembly in L. A.

Dr. John W. Beeman of the Medical Center of Torrance, 2055 Torrance boulevard, is attending the week-long Obstetrical and Gynecological Post Graduate Assembly of Southern California now being held in the Ambassador Hotel in Los Angeles.

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Now vital supplies, which have been piling up in freight terminals during the past several days, are starting to move.

A complex situation

There is one point, however, we know the public will understand. So complex a thing as America's Transportation System cannot be turned off and on like a water faucet.

Thousands of "car days" were lost due to freight cars standing still. Even though cars are now moving, it is bound to take a while

before congestion is relieved and delayed cars are unloaded at their destination.

Santa Fe was able to deliver more cars to other railroads than other railroads delivered to Santa Fe. Consequently, Santa Fe now has substantially less cars on its rails than when the "outlaw strike" began.

Naturally, this will result in a shortage of cars until this complex situation has been cleared.

A word to our shippers

We are doing everything possible to speed up the return to normal. We ask, however, that shippers who now need cars bear with us during this period.

Santa Fe expresses its thanks to its shippers and passengers for their patience and understanding during the trying times we have all just passed through—and also to all our people who co-operated in this emergency, many responding beyond their normal call of duty.



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